

## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A disposable absorbent article for wearing on or about a lower torso of a wearer for receiving bodily exudates, the disposable absorbent article comprising:
  - a topsheet,
  - a backsheet joined with the topsheet;
  - an absorbent core disposed between at least a portion of the topsheet and the backsheet;
  - an acceptance element disposed adjacent to a bodyside surface of the backsheet, wherein the acceptance element comprises one or more apertures each having an area of between 0.2 square mm to 25 square mm; and
  - a storage element disposed between at least a portion of the acceptance element and the backsheet, the storage element having a compressive resistance of at least about 70%.
2. The disposable absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the acceptance element has an effective open area of at least 22.5%.
3. The disposable absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the topsheet comprises at least one of the following: a porous foam, a reticulated foam, an apertured plastic film, a woven web of natural fibers, a nonwoven web of natural fibers, a woven web of synthetic fibers, a nonwoven web of synthetic fibers, a woven web comprising natural and synthetic fibers, and a nonwoven web comprising natural and synthetic fibers.
4. The disposable absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the acceptance element comprises a portion of the topsheet.
5. The disposable absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the storage element includes a macro-particulate structure comprising a multiplicity of particles having a nominal size of between about 1 mm and about 10 mm.
6. The disposable absorbent article of claim 5, wherein the particles are absorbent.
7. The disposable absorbent article of claim 5, wherein the particles are non-absorbent.

8. The disposable absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the storage element includes a plurality of looped strands of fibers.
9. The disposable absorbent article of claim 8, wherein the looped strands of fibers include capillary channel fibers.
10. A disposable absorbent article for wearing on or about a lower torso of a wearer for receiving bodily exudates, the disposable absorbent article comprising:
  - a liquid pervious topsheet;
  - a liquid impervious backsheet joined to the topsheet;
  - an absorbent core disposed between at least a portion of the liquid pervious topsheet and the liquid impervious backsheet,
  - an acceptance element disposed adjacent to a body side surface of the liquid impervious backsheet, wherein the acceptance element has an effective open area of at least 22.5%; and
  - a storage element disposed between at least a portion of the acceptance element and the liquid impervious backsheet, the storage element having a compressive resistance of at least about 70%.
11. The disposable absorbent article of claim 10, wherein the liquid pervious topsheet comprises at least one of the following: a porous foam, a reticulated foam, an apertured plastic film, a woven web of natural fibers, a nonwoven web of natural fibers, a woven web of synthetic fibers, a nonwoven web of synthetic fibers, a woven web comprising natural and synthetic fibers, and a nonwoven web comprising natural and synthetic fibers.
12. The disposable absorbent article of claim 10, wherein the acceptance element comprises a portion of the liquid pervious topsheet.
13. The disposable absorbent article of claim 10, wherein the storage element includes a plurality of looped strands of fibers.

14. The disposable absorbent article of claim 13, wherein the looped strands of fibers include capillary channel fibers.
15. The disposable absorbent article of claim 10, wherein the storage element includes a macro-particulate structure comprising a multiplicity of particles having a nominal size of between about 1 mm and about 10 mm.
16. The disposable absorbent article of claim 15, wherein the particles are absorbent.
17. The disposable absorbent article of claim 15, wherein the particles are non-absorbent.